

Care coordination in FFS Medicare

ISSUE: How can Medicare support and encourage care coordination in FFS?

KEY POINTS: Improving value in Medicare FFS requires better coordination of care across settings and over time, particularly for those with multiple chronic conditions. In this draft chapter we outline:

- the need for care coordination,
- the services needed to better coordinate care,
- evidence for cost savings and quality improvement,
- the type of organizational structures necessary,
- the role of physician offices, and
- two models the Medicare program could use to better encourage care coordination.

ACTION: The Commission should review the draft chapter and provide feedback on the completeness and direction of the discussion.

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